

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. : 4221
(To be answered on the 11th August 2016)**

PER CAPITA SEATS OF DOMESTIC AIRLINES

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION

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be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the domestic airlines seats per capita in the country is very low in comparison to other countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, year-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take any steps to tap the market opportunity to develop the airline industry; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

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(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) and (b): The statement of the seat per capita in the country is at Annexure-1.

(c) and (d): Government has recently released National Civil Aviation Policy (NCAP) 2016. The broad key features of the NCAP are as under:

- i) VGF for operation under Regional Connectivity Scheme (RCS).**
- ii) Revival of un-served or under-served routes under RCS.**
- iii) Introduction of a new Category 'Schedule Commuter Operator' under Commercial Air Transport Operations.**
- iv) Rationalization of Category-I routes under Route Dispersal Guidelines (RDGs) on the basis of criteria given in NCAP 2016.**
- v) The requirement of 5 years and 20 aircrafts for international operation has been modified to 0 years and 20 aircrafts or 20% of the total capacity (in terms of average number of seats on all departure put together) whichever is higher for domestic operations.**
- vi) Liberalization of domestic code share points in India within the framework of ASA.**

**STATEMENT FOR THE DOMESTIC AIRLINES SEATS PER CAPITA* IN THE COUNTRY FOR THE
LAST THREE YEARS**

YEAR	TOTAL SEATS AVAILABLE IN SCHEDULED DOMESTIC AIRLINES DURING THE YEAR	TOTAL POPULATION (As per Census, 2011)	SEATS PER CAPITA*
2012-13	11,40,35,466	1,21,05,69,573	0.09
2013-14	11,31,05,274	1,21,05,69,573	0.09
2014-15	12,25,27,743	1,21,05,69,573	0.10

* Seats Per Capita= Total Seats available during the year/ Total Population.

Population census is done on decennial basis . So Population count is available for the year 2011 only.

Year pertains to Financial Year i.e. April to March.

Source: 1. Total Seats taken from ICAO ATR Form 'D'.
2. Population is taken from O/o Registrar General of India.